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SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: 70769-33538076@requests.muckrock.com

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Re: FEMA FOIA Case Number 2019-FEFO-00413

Dear Ms. Gomez:

This is the final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), dated March 22, 2019 and received in this office on March 28, 2019. You are seeking the following data:

1. A running total of how many people contacted FEMA to change their home address from Puerto Rico to the mainland US between September 7, 2017 and May 31, 2018, broken down by new zip code, and similar totals of how many of those applied for FEMA assistance in that period;
2. A running total of how many people contacted FEMA to change their home address from Puerto Rico to the mainland US between September 7, 2017 and August 31, 2018, broken down by new zip code, and similar totals of how many of those applied for FEMA assistance in that period;
3. A running total of how many people contacted FEMA to change their home address from Puerto Rico to the mainland US between September 7, 2017 and September 30, 2018, broken down by new zip code, and similar totals of how many of those applied for FEMA assistance in that period; and,
4. A running total of how many people contacted FEMA to change their home address from Puerto Rico to the mainland US between September 7, 2017 and October 31, 2018 (or date of processing if it is before that), broken down by new zip code, and similar totals of how many of those applied for FEMA assistance in that period.

A search of FEMA's Office of Response and Recovery – Reporting and Analytics Division (ORR-RAD) for documents responsive to your request produced a total of one (1) Excel spreadsheet. We are granting your request under the FOIA, Title 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and DHS' implementing regulations, 6 C.F.R. Chapter I and Part 5. After carefully reviewing the responsive documents I determined that they are appropriate for public release. They are enclosed in their entirety; no deletions or exemptions have been claimed.

You have the right to appeal if you disagree with FEMA's response. The procedure for administrative appeals is outlined in the DHS regulations at 6 C.F.R. § 5.8. In the event you wish to submit an appeal, we encourage you to both state the reason(s) you believe FEMA's initial determination on your FOIA request was erroneous in your correspondence, and include a copy of this letter with your appeal. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal within 90 days from the date of this letter to fema-foia@fema.dhs.gov, or alternatively, via mail at the following address:

FEMA
Office of the Chief Administrative Officer
Information Management Division (FOIA Appeals)
500 C Street, SW, Seventh Floor, Mail Stop 3172
Washington, D.C. 20472-3172

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National Archives and Records Administration
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College Park, MD 20740-6001
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Web: <https://ogis.archives.gov>
Telephone: 202-741-5770/Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448
Facsimile: 202-741-5769

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. In this instance, because the cost is below the \$25 minimum, there is no charge.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter, you may contact FEMA at (202) 646-3323, or you may contact FEMA's Public Liaison in the same manner. Please reference the subsequent case identifier: **FEMA 2019-FEFO-00413**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Bridges", written in a cursive style.

Greg Bridges
Lead Government Information Specialist

Enclosure(s): Response Document (1 Excel Spreadsheet)